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In re Application of :
FISCH, HARRY et al. :
Application No. 10/081,098 : **DECISION ON PETITION**
Filed: February 21, 2002 :
Attorney's Docket No. 21084.0019(7202-227):

This is a decision on the Petition To Withdraw Holding Of Abandonment Under MPEP 711.03(C)(I), received in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on May 20, 2004.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

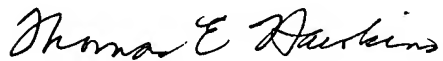
The application was held abandoned for failure to timely pay the issue fee as required in the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE, mailed November 7, 2003, which set a three (3) month statutory period for reply.

Petitioner has demonstrated that the PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL was timely and successfully transmitted via facsimile transmission to the USPTO on November 21, 2003, and is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.8(b) in that (1) the United States Patent and Trademark Office was promptly informed of the previous timely transmission, (2) a copy of the previously facsimiled correspondence with certificate of facsimile transmission thereon has been submitted, and (3) included a statement which attests to the previous timely transmission.

In view of the above, the holding of abandonment is hereby withdrawn. Accordingly, the issue fee and publication fee are accepted as timely transmitted via certificate of mailing on November 21, 2003.

The issue fee in the amount of \$665, \$300 for the publication fee, and \$30 for ten (10) advance order copies were charged to Deposit Account No. 50-3024.

The application will be forwarded to the Publishing Division to be processed into a patent.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas E. Hawkins".

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